"For God and Country.

Cloister of the Colonies. Washington Memorial Chapel. Patriots' Hall. Tower and Library

"No spot on earth—not the plains of Marathon, nor the passes of Sempach, nor the place of the Bastile, nor the dykes of Holland, nor the moors of England—is so sacred in the history of the struggle for human liberty as Valley Forge."

—CYRUS TOWNSEND BRADY.

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Our First Cup-Plate.

The first cup-plate in the Museum is one recently added to the Mary Elizabeth Schofield collection. It is another witness to the changing fashions of men, for it comes from the days when to drink tea or coffee from the saucer was good form. The cup, while the saucer was thus used, was placed on these little plates. As the fashion passed away the cup-plates were used for pickles, etc., but eventually were relegated to the cupboards or given to the children for their parties. It is probable that it was this last use that reduced the number to a minimum. At any rate they are far from common, and a few know either their use or their history.

Barber lists a dozen different designs. This one has a log cabin with an American flag floating above it, and under the tree to the left, a cider barrel. The design, which is pressed in the glass and colored, shows that the plate belongs to the period of the "log cabin and hard cider campaign," which preceded the election of William Henry Harrison to the Presidency of the United States. His term of office began March 4, 1841, having been

nominated at Harrisburg in March, 1839, by the National Whig Convention. This fixed the date of the cup-plate between 1839 and 1841, so that it is now over seventy years old. The log cabin represents Harrison's home at North Bend, one end of which was a log house covered with clapboards. One of his biographers stated that his table, instead of being covered with exciting wines, is well supplied with the best cider. The log cabin and the cider became the battle cry which rallied to the support of the Presidential candidate those who by choice or necessity represented the "simple life."

Jesse Y. Burk Collection of Indian Relics.

The Rev. W. Herbert Burk has added the following articles to the collection which was given for the Museum by his father, the late Jesse Y. Burk, S. T. D.:

Pueblo Indian rain god, 6¼ inches high, made of clay.

Pueblo Indian War Club, 13 inches long, the stone and handle covered with skin, and terminated with a decoration of leather, beads and horse hair.

Pueblo pottery Peace Pipe, 5¼ inches high by 4½ inches long, decorated in red and blue.

Apache War Club, 22 inches long, the stone head 3 inches long and 6 inches in diameter, and the handle entirely covered with bead work terminating in a feather decoration.

Pinto Spoon, made of horn, 8½ inches long and 2½ inches across the bowl, the handle wrapped with dyed thongs.

These articles formed part of the Indian exhibit of "The World in Baltimore."

"No one who has not been in England can have a just idea of the admiration expressed among all parties for General Washington. It is a common observation that he is not only the most illustrious, but the most meritorious character that has yet appeared."—Rufus King (1797).

Letter of Gen. MacIntosh to Governor of North Carolina.

The following letter of General McIntosh was sold at the Book Auction Rooms of Samuel T. Freeman & Co., Philadelphia, by the great autograph authority and auctioneer, Mr. Stan. V. Henkels, on the 7th of December. It ought to have been added to the Valley Forge Collection, but we had no funds with which to purchase it.

We print the letter in full, as it is a part of the history of the encampment.

Sir,

I had the Honor of writing, to your Excellency the 9th of January pr. Lt. Colonel Dawson of your State, which I hope you received.

I am sorry I have to inform you the Men of my Brigade here have Suffered Severely this Winter for want of clothing & other Necessarys. Fifty of them died in & about Camp since the beginning of January last, & we have near two hundred sick here now besides as many more reported sick absent in different Hospitals of this State & Jersey, a most distressing Situation! & only Doctor McClure of the Second Regiment to attend the whole of them until a few Days ago. I fortunately got another young man to assist him, but cannot tell how he will turn out yet.

I cannot with propriety or Justice on this Occasion avoid complaining of Doctor Conley of the 5th Regiment of this State, which I think he has been ingratefull to, & cannot help charging him with Inhumanity: also in Leaving so many of his brave Country Men to Perish without assistance.——when I was first informed of him, I ordered him in the most positive terms to stay with the Brigade——he attempted to make a plea, that in consequence of a former order, for the Staff of the Six Vacant Regiments, to go home with the other Officers, he has sent off his Baggage, therefor could not Stay, and at last went without Leave,—for which I stopped his pay for January, February, &

and an Extra Bounty & Month's given by Congress, to the army with General Washington's approbation and dare Say your Excellency will think with me, he deserves still further marks of Resentment from his Country.

This Season produces nothing worth mentioning to you save Little Skirmishes, between Foraging Partys of no account—

I hear Colo. Shepherds 10th Regiment is under Inoculation at Georgetown Maryland but have no acc't from himself.—

I have the Honor to be Respectfully
Yr Excellency's most obt Servt
Lachlan McIntosh
Camp Valley Forge 20th
March 1778

Govr Caswell
Addressed:
On Public Service
His Excellency—
Richard Caswell, Esqr.
Governor &c
State of No Carolina
pr. Lt. Langford

A Missionary Automobile.

The Rev. Mr. Burk has been greatly handicapped in his work at Valley Forge, as was the Rev. Mr. Finn while resident in the field, by the limited means of transportation. Therefore, when the Convocation made him an appropriation of $275 he determined to invest it in an automobile, especially as there was a parochial automobile fund, started by Mrs. Harry Hoisington. This latter fund, with the accumulated interest, amounted to $92.98. Mr. Burk felt that the investment would bring the best return to both the Convocation of Norristown and to the Washington Memorial Chapel, as the automobile would make it possible for him to do more work for each. He purchased a second-hand Ford touring car for $350 and made a temporary garage in the sheds at the Chapel. He expects to build a garage on his own ground opposite the Defenders' Gate.

Mr. Burk is not enthusiastic over his purchase as the installation of a so-called "self-starter" has begun a chapter of woes.

Diocesan Training School for Teachers.

The Diocesan Training School for Teachers, which did such good work last year under the direction of the Rev. W. Herbert Burk resumed its work on the 26th of October in the Church House, 12th and Walnut streets, Philadelphia. The school is carried on by the Sunday School Association of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and its courses are free to all teachers of the Diocese. The sessions are held on the second and fourth Saturdays with two lectures from 2.30 p. m. to 4.30 p. m. The lectures this year will be given by the same lecturers, Mr. Burk and the Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley, chairman of the Diocesan Training Committee and a member of the Board of Religious Education. The following will be the subjects this year:

First Year's Work.

Religious Pedagogy (10 hours general and 5 hours special) Rev. W. Herbert Burk.

Gospels and Life of Christ, 10 hours, Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley.

Christian Year, 5 hours, Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley.

Second Year's Work.

Apostolic Church (Acts and Epistles) 10 hours, Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley.

Biblical Geography, 5 hours, Rev. W. Herbert Burk.

Prayer Book and Church Worship, 10 hours, Rev. W. Herbert Burk.

The Rev. Mr. Burk, acting as Dean of the Convocation of Norristown, on Sunday, October the twentieth, visited St. Paul's Church, the Rev. J. Thompson Cole, rector, preached in the morning and made addresses to the Jay Cooke Bible class and to the Sunday school. In the evening he visited Trinity Church, Lansdale, the Rev. A. S. Urban, rector, and preached. The Rev. Henry M. Kieffer, D. D., had charge of the services at Valley Forge and King-of-Prussia.

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Sundays.

10.45 A. M. Service and Sermon.
2.30 P. M. Sunday School and Bible Classes.
3.45 P. M. Service and Sermon.
Holy Communion, First Sunday.
The Parish House, King-of-Prussia:
9 A. M. Sunday School and Bible Classes.
7.30 P. M. Service and Sermon.
Saints' Days, 9.30 A. M. Holy Communion.

Calendar.

DECEMBER.

15. Third Sunday in Advent.
18. Ember Day.
19. 135th Anniversary of the Occupation Valley Forge.
20. Ember Day.
21. Saint Thomas the Apostle.
Ember Day.
Fourth Sunday in Advent.
22. 9.30 a. m. Holy Communion.
23. 7.30 p. m. Christmas Festival, King-of-Prussia.
24. Christmas Eve.
7.30 p. m. Christmas Festival, Chapel.
25. Christmas Day.
9.30 a. m. Service, Sermon and Holy Communion.
26. Saint Stephen's Day.
9.30 a. m. Holy Communion.
27. Saint John the Evangelist's Day.
9.30 a. m. Holy Communion.
28. The Innocents' Day.
9.30 a. m. Holy Communion.
29. First Sunday after Christmas.

JANUARY.

1. The Circumision of Christ.
9.30 a. m. Holy Communion.
2.30 p. m. Washington Chapel Guild.
5. Second Sunday after Christmas .
6. The Epiphany.
9.30 a. m. Holy Communion.
8.00 p. m. Meeting of the Vestry.
12. First Sunday after the Epiphany.

Mrs. Charles Wells Walker has declined the appointment as the parish's delegate to the Woman's Auxiliary to the Convocation of Norristown. So far the Rector has made no other appointment, so the present delegates are Miss Mary M. Hibbs and Mrs. Leslie Jefferis.

The Thanksgiving Day service was quite well attended, considering the national neglect of thanksgiving. The offering was for the Episcopal hospital, and amounted to $5.50.

The Advent season will be used to arouse interest in the Sunday schools of the Diocese in the work of the General Board of Religious Education, the new creation of the General Convention for the improvement and development of the religious training of the children of the

Church. The offerings of the children will be given for this great work, which should meet with the most generous support of our Church people.

The Christmas Festivals will be held in the evening this year. That in our parish house at King-of-Prussia will be held Monday evening, December 23, and that at the Chapel on Christmas Eve. The schools have been practicing the carols, and all are looking forward to these happy events. The Christmas Day service will be at 9.30 a. m. instead of 10 o'clock as heretofore. This is to allow time to reach home in time for dinner. We ought to have a large attendance at this service. The offering will be for the Christmas Fund of the Diocese, a fund devoted to the maintenance of our disabled clergy, their widows and orphans.

Convocation of Norristown.

The Convocation of Norristown held its fall meeting on Thursday, October 24th, in Calvary Church, Conshohocken, the Rev. John Kennedy Moorehouse, Rector The Holy Communion was celebrated by Bishop Garland, assisted by the Rev. W. Herbert Burk, Dean of the Convocation, and the Rector. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Henry B. Bryan, Rector of St. James' Church, Downingtown.

The Woman's Auxiliary, of which Miss Mary M. Hibbs is president, met immediately after the service and was addressed by the Bishop and Dean.

Calvary Church is admirably adapted for the entertainment of the Convocation and the luncheon served in the commodious parish house was an enjoyable feature of the day. Bishop Garland spoke for the guests, expressing their gratitude for the cordial reception and courteous entertainment.

At the business session Bishop Garland presided, and reports were made by the missionaries. Mr. William Drayton, on behalf of the committee appointed to see to the transfer of the lot at Lansdale, reported that the deed had been executed and recorded. A few years ago a valuable lot adjoining the church property at Lansdale was offered for sale, but the vestry was unable to purchase it. The Rev. Abram Linwood Urban, the missionary, appreciating the future need of the parish for this additional ground, purchased it, and met all the expenses. The burden was a heavy one, so the Dean asked the Auxiliary to assume the responsibility for the interest and taxes. At the last Convocation he called attention to the fact that the property was in the name of the missionary instead of the corporation, and suggested its transfer. This met with the hearty approval of Mr. Urban. Through his patient toil and artistic taste he made the lot a beautiful garden. Out of his experiences in this work has grown his recent book, "The Voice of the Garden" —a work to which the Rev. Benjamin S. Sanderson paid a high and well-deserved tribute.

Washington's Library.

The books of Washington's Library have been scattered far and wide, the largest number being in the Boston Athenaeum. Even a single book with Washington's autograph will to-day bring a large price, and his book plate sells for a good price. The Library was sold years ago, but the appraiser's list was filed in the Orphans' Court of Fairfax county, Virginia.

The Rev. W. Herbert Burk plans to reproduce the Library of Washington in the Washington Memorial Library. His purpose is to secure a copy of every book mentioned in the appraiser's list, and place these together that visitors may be able to see what Washington's Library really was. The task is a difficult one, for several reasons, but as Mr. Burk says, it will be completed even if he never sees it.

Mr. Norris D. Wright has the honor of giving the first set of books on the appraiser's list, the first items of which are as follows:

American Encyclopedia, 19 vols., 4to $150 00
Skombrand's Dictionary, 1 vol.... 7 50
Memoir of a Map of Hindostan, 1 vol., 4to 8 00
Young's Travels, 1 vol. 4 00
Johnson's Dictionary, 2 vols. 10 00

The only item in the list that approached this first one in value was:

Alexander's Victories (26 prints). $100 00

The real title of the set of books, is "Encyclopaedia; | or, a | Dictionary | of | Arts, Sciences, | and | Miscellaneous Literature; | Constructed on a Plan, | by which | the different sciences and arts are digested into the form of Difficult | Treatises or Systems, | etc. The First American Edition, in eighteen volumes, greatly improved. | * * * * * Philadelphia: | Printed by Thomas Dobson, at the Stone House, No. 41 South Second Street. | M. DCC.XCVIII."

This is really the American edition of the Third Edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica, published between 1788-1797.

This set is in excellent condition, and will be a great incentive to others to help Mr. Burk carry his plan into operation. Many of the volumes needed can be purchased for small sums, and it is hoped that the friends of this movement will make it possible to do what has never been done before, reproduce book by book every volume as it stood in Washington's "book press."

Mr. Burk believes that he has three of the original books, but he is unwilling to make any announcement in regard to them at this time.

Valley Forge Museum.

Mrs. Sarah M. Molony has given to the Museum a silk badge of the "Blaine and Logan Club of Norristown," marked "Aid to the President"; a paper printed badge bearing the words "FOR GOVERNOR, GEN. JOHN F. HARTRANFT," with a picture of the General; and a programme of the Valley Forge Memorial Ball, given in Maennerchor Hall, Reading, Pa., Thursday evening, April 22, 1879. The program is an interesting relic because it is a reminder of the heroic efforts made by a few people to save Washington's Headquarters to the American people. Because these patriots deserve to be remembered with gratitude we reprint the names as they appear on the last page of the program.

MRS. DANIEL ERMENTROUT,
Vice Regent of Association.

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Mrs. Read's name is incorectly given as "Reed."

The Screens of the Brigadier Generals.

"THE BLACK WATCH."

(Now the 42d Royal Highland Regiment of Foot.)

This is one of the most famous regiments in the British Army and is the oldest of the Highland regiments, having been organized in 1725. There has hardly been a campaign conducted by the British army in which one or both battalions of this regiment have not participated and their record for gallantry is one of the brightest. It rendered most distinguished service in the War of Independence and its battles include Long Island, White Plains, Brooklyn, Fort Washington, Amboy, Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth, and siege of Charlestown.

It surrendered with Cornwallis at Yorktown(?).

43d REGIMENT OF FOOT.

(Now the Monmouthshire Light Infantry.)

Raised in 1741.

At the outbreak of the Revolution the 43d was the first regiment sent to America.

It was stationed at Boston and its first battle was at Bunker Hill, 17th of June, 1775, where it suffered severely. It was employed continually throughout the war and its hard and varied services included Brooklyn, Long Island, White Plains, Fort Washington, Brandywine, Monmouth, Quaker Hill and other battles, down to the surrender at Yorktown.

44th REGIMENT OF FOOT.

(Now the Essex Regiment.)

Raised in 1740.

Embarked for Boston in May, 1775, arriving just after the battle of Bunker Hill. Was at Long Island, Brandywine, Germantown and Monmouth, after which it was in New York until 1780, when it went to Canada.

46th REGIMENT OF FOOT.

(Now Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry.)

This regiment participated in the Battle of Brandywine and its Light Infantry companies took part in the night attack of Paoli.

55th REGIMENT OF FOOT.

(Now the Border Regiment.)

Raised in 1756.

Fought at Brooklyn, Brandywine, Germantown and other early conflicts.

It was in New York in 1778 and was sent from there to the West Indies the same year.

The Valley Forge Guide.

The third edition of "The Valley Forge Guide" has been published and is now on sale. It is a handsomely printed book of 166 pages, with four maps and over sixty illustrations. The folding map in the front of the book is the most recent and best map of the encampment and was made from the state surveys for this book. The illustrations are a faithful record of the scenes and places at Valley Forge, but they are also illustrative. They include copies of documents on articles that help to make more intelligible the life in the historic encampment. Washington's accounts, with the amounts of his household expenses; the broadside issued to the neighboring farmers; the portrait of him which Peale painted on a piece of bed ticking while in camp at Valley Forge; and, more wonderful than all else, a photograph of the Marquee in which the Commander-in-Chief spent his first week and the standard that marked his headquarters, whether tent, or hotel, or house. Only less interesting is the reproduction of the cheque for $120,000 paid to Lafayette in 1825 for his services in the War of the Revolution.

Mr. Burk's book is invaluable to the tourist who visits Valley Forge, or to the student of the crisis of American history, or to the patriot who loves his country and would deepen his reverence for it and its institutions.

A VALLEY FORGE ORDERLY BOOK

Printed by Courtesy of Its late Owner, Mr. George Clifford Thomas.

Sixty-eight men out of the number of those returned unfit for duty for want of clothes and other necessaries, to be provided to-morrow morning Guard Mounting, and marched to the Larbaratory to be daily employed in that department one month, and as it is of the utmost importance, that a stock of fixed ammunition should always be in store; it is expected that each Brigade will keep its detail good.

At a Genl Court Marshal wherof Colo. Swift was president March 20th 78: Mr. Gamble Commissary of Genl. Wayne's Division, Tried for opposing Lieut. Robinson in the execution of his office, in drawing his Sword opposing the Sergt. and his men rescuing the Offenders, was acquitted of rescuing the Offenders, but found guilty of opposing Lieut. Robinson in the execution of his office, being a breach of Article 5th Sect. 2nd of the Articles of War, and sentenced to be reprimanded by the commanding Officer of the Brigade to which he belongs. The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence and Orders it to take place to-morrow.

At the same Court Thomas Webb, a Soldier in Colonel Jackson's Regiment, Tried for repeatedly getting drunk, found guilty, and sentenced to receive 25 lashes on his own back, approved, and to be put in execution to-morrow morning at Guard mounting.

Also Godfrey Grinam, tried for desertion, acquitted, and ordered to be immediately discharged.

Head Quarters, March 27, 1778.

Officers to morrow
Brigadier .....Maxwell
Field Officers.....Colo. Bradford, Major Taylor
Brigade Major.....Minnis

The numerous inconveniences of a large Train of Baggage must be apparent to every officer of the least observation. An army by means of it is rendered unwieldy, and incapable of acting with that ease and celerity which are essential, either to its own convenience and defence, or to Vigour & enterprise in its offensive Operations.

The Sollicitude of those who have a large quantity at stake will feel for its safety even in the most critical circumstances all ended with every alarming consequences, and Individuals frequently, unavoidably sustain considerable losses from the imprudence of incumbering themselves with Superflous baggage. The public is burthened with a fruitless expence, in an additional number of Horses and Waggons, and the Strength of the Army is diminished by the extraordinary number of guards required for their protection. This disadvantages & many more that will suggest themselves on reflection. Notwithstanding the pains taken to remedy them; have been heretofore severely felt by this Army. Many Instances will be recollected in the Course of last Campaign, and among others, the great loss that attended the sending the supirflous Baggage, during the more active part of it, to a distance from the Army. The Commander in Chief hopes these considerations will influence Officers in the ensuing Campaign, to provide themselves with those necessaries only, which cannot be dispensed with, and with the means of carrying them in the most easy & convenient manner. In order to which he strongly recommends the disuse of Chests and Boxes, and that Portmanteaus or Valees, made of Duck may be substituted instead of them; this will be the more requisite, as it is in contemplation to employ as few Waggons as possible, and make use of Pack Horses as far as may be practicable. It is expected the Genl and Field Officers will set the examples, and see that it is strictly followed by all those under their respective commands. Officers on out posts receiving Letters by Flagg, addressed to their Commander in Chief by Genl. Howe whose name is always indorsed on them, are desired to give receipt for the same.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]